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DECREE RENAMES, REORGANIZES RUMANIAN MINISTRY OF FORESTS AND LUMBER INDUSTRIES

Decree No 218 of the Rumanian Council of Ministers, issued in Budapest on 5 September 1950, reorganizes the Ministry of Forests and Lumber Industries. The decree follows.

NAME

Article 1

The Ministry of Forestry and Lumber Industries, established by decree No 429 of 1949, is hereby reorganized under the name of "the Ministry of Forestry, Tim-Jer and Paper Industries.

DUTIES

Article 2

The Ministry of Forestry, Timber, and Paper Industries will supervise the management of domestic forests both in silviculture and timber production, including the manufacture of matches, cellulose, and paper.

Article 3

The Ministry will exercise the following functions in connection with forest areas:

1. The organization, management, and exploitation of wood resources.

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 $\ensuremath{\mathcal{Z}}.$ Supervision over the improvement of quantity and quality of forestry products.

- Supervision over the improvement and reclamation of fallow land in forest areas, and its restoration to agricultural use.
 - 4. Planting of protective forest belts for the protection of crops.
 - 5. Establishment and maintenance of forest preserves and natural parks.
 - 6. Reclamation of hilly wasteland and the clearing of neglected pastures.
 - 7. Redirection of stream beds in areas bordering forests.
 - 8. Increase of forest productivity through better care.
 - 9. Supervision of annual cutting and proper utilization of wood.
- 10. Enforcement of measures for the care of forests and resources, prevention of offenses such as the theft of timber and the causing of forest fires.
 - 11. Provision of transportation media.
- 12. Enforcement of agricultural-forestry measures in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture.
- 13. Collaboration with other agencies for the creation of parks in the vicinity of population centers.
- 14. Study and solution of technical and economic forestry problems through the Institute of Forestry Research.
- 15. Breeding, care, and improvement of fish and game; limitation of the catch.

The Ministry will have the following functions in connection with the exploitation of forests and timber products:

- 1. Opening of inaccessible forest areas through the construction of means of transportation and new factories.
- Organization of forest exploitation, providing of transportation to processing and distribution centers, factories, docks, and railroad stations.
- 3. Organization of the exploitation of wood by mechanical or manual means for all products from firewood to line furniture, matches, and cellulose papers.
- 4. Organization of the distribution and sale of products according to quotas fixed by the State Planning Commission.
- 5. Introduction of the most suitable production methods in each productive enterprise.
- 6. Supervision of the modernization of power machines and implements in the wood-processing industry.

In addition, the Ministry will have the following general functions:

l. Organization of forestry and industrial enterprises according to activity, the fixing of general norms and the regulation of operations according to directives of the government of the Rumanian People's Republic.

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- 2. Direction of the planning of production and investment according to branch and enterprise.
- 3. Preparation of quotas for individual enterprises after due approval of the State Planning Commission.
 - 4. Assignment of tasks by branch and activity.
- 5. Dissemination of industrial and forestry knowledge and techniques, study and application of measures for the rational utilization of means of production, introduction of new technological methods and new products, establishment of new factories, recation of study units for planning and research.
- 6. Application of decisions and dispositions concerning the standardization of materials and products as fixed by the Ministries and approved by the State Planning Commission.
 - 7. Organization and supervision of advanced training for personnel.
- 8. Preparation of the budget of the Ministry of Forestry, Timber and Paper Industries; approval and supervision of the financial plans of subsidiary enterprises and units.
- 9. Financial control and administration of subordinate enterprises and units.
- 10. The Ministry appoints and dismisses personnel, creates and dissolves administrative organs of the enterprises and state economic organizations in subordinate branches.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4

The Ministry of Forestry, Timber and Paper Industries is headed by a Minister who is aided by two Assistant Ministers, Ministerial Counselors, a Cabinet, a Technical Council, and a General Control Body.

Article 5

The Cabinet consists of the Minister, the Assistant Ministers, and Ministerial Counselors ex officio, as well as members appointed by ministerial decision. The Cabinet has a secretary appointed by ministerial decision.

Article 6

The Technical Council consists of five members appointed by ministerial decision. They include specialists with a wide knowledge of the economics of forestry and timber industries, cellulose, and paper. The Technical Council advises on technical questions of importance.

Article 7

The General Control Body is composed of specialists in forestry law. Their number is fixed by the Ministry.

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Article 8

The duties of the Assistant Ministers and of the Ministerial Counselors are fixed in regulations approved by the Ministry.

Article 9

The duties of the Cabinet, Technical Council, and General Control Body are fixed in regulations approved by the Ministry.

Article 10

The duties of the Ministry are performed by the following departments:

- 1. The Department of Forestry, which includes the Administration, the Directorate for the Restoration of Forests and the Reclamation of Fallow Land, the Directorate of Forest Preserves, the Directorate of Game and Fish, and the Repair and Construction Service.
- 2. The Department of Timber and Paper Industries, which includes the Directorate for the Exploitation of Timber Products, the Directorate of Transportation, the Industrial Directorate for Wood and Furniture, the Industrial Directorate for Cellulose and Paper, and the Directorate for the Sale and Distribution of Wood Cellulose and Paper Products.
- 3. The Department of Common (Comune) Directorates, which includes the Directorate of Plans and Records, the Directorate of Investments, the Technical Directorate, the Directorate of Personnel and Training, the Directorate of Accounting and Financial Control, the Directorate of Supplies, the Administrative and Secretarial Directorate, Office of Work and Wages, Office of Labor Insurance, Judicial Office, and Office for the Sale of Wood Products.

Article 11

Operational agencies of the Ministry are as follows:

Regional Forestry Directorate, which has Jurisdiction over Forestry Districts.

Industrial Timber Trusts, which have jurisdiction over Enterprises for the Exploitation of Wood.

Enterprises for Cel'ulose, Paper, and Cardboard, subordinate to the Industrial Directorate for Cellulose and Paper in the Department of Timber and Paper Industries.

Article 12

The following are under the direct control of the Ministry:

Institute of Forestry and Industrial Research.

Sovromlemn (Soviet-Rumanian Timber Combine).

Institute for Forestry Planning.

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Article 13

The Ministry will supervise and coordinate the activities of the General Sales Associations.

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